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Wartburg takes national title

by Justin Holdgrafer
Staff Writer

With a little help and a lot of hard work the Knights wrestling team brought home its second national championship title in four years. Wartburg overcame almost impossible odds to defeat the two-time defending champion Augsburg.

The Auggies had five finalists and a two and a half point lead. Wartburg had three finalists, two of which were matched with Auggie opponents.

Junior Zac Weiglein started the finals against Augsburg's Darin Bertram at 125 pounds. Earlier in the season, they split matches with one a piece. Weiglein, wrestling with a broken hand, defeated Bertram 7-5. Weiglein's win also gave the Knights the lead.

"I just went out there and wrestled hard," Weiglein said.

John Marchette helped Augsburg

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Photos courtesy of Gary Smith

BRINGING IT HOME—Junior Zac Weiglein (above) and senior Ben Shane captured the national champion titles for their respective weights at the NCAA Division III tournament.

Students return to burglarized rooms

by Kate Kelting
Staff Writer

A series of burglaries on campus occurred over Winter Break, robbing several students of TVs, VCRs, stereos, CDs and many other items.

According to Head of Security John Myers, items were reported missing from three Clinton and two Hebron rooms, all located on ground floors save one on first floor Clinton. A TV in Vollmer Ground Lounge was also stolen.

"There have been break-ins before, but nothing has ever occurred like this," said Myers.

Myers said the first indication of the burglaries was reported on March 2, after someone attempted to enter a Clinton Ground room through the window. Myers then asked the hall directors and maintenance to check all ground floor windows and doors. On March 3 maintenance locked several unlocked windows and one unlocked door found in the residence halls. On March 5 the Vollmer TV was reported stolen, and later that evening the first of five break-ins was reported. All ground floor rooms had been entered by the window.

"It may appear that ground floor windows are locked from across the room when they're not," said Myers. He said because the windows were unlocked and the screens are easily removable, no damage was done during the break-ins.

"It had to be somebody who kno 1ws the security system or knows the students," said Myers. As far as the investigation goes, Myers said the police have two solid leads, but they have not yet released any information.

"Whoever they (the burglar) were, they had lots of time to do it," said sophomore Brian Traughber, a Hebron Ground resident that was robbed. When Traughber returned to his room and found it had been robbed, he discovered somebody had been going through his movies. "It looked like they just 'hung out' in our room."

Traughber and his roommate Brandon Patten had more than $1,000 worth of items stolen from their room. Sophomores Aaron Fedderson and Adam Klein, also victims of the burglar(s), had more than $1,300 in items taken.

In both instances the burglar(s) seemed selective in the takings. In addition to Traughber's many missing items, a VCR was stolen but the TV was left.

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>
> —Brian Traughber, sophomore

Klein said of the several items taken, they took speakers and not the stereo, left a brand new computer untouched and also took the time to sort through a jar of change, taking only the quaters.

"It was almost like they knew what they wanted to take out of each room," said Traughber. "We feel violated."

Director of Residential Life Pete Armstrong agrees with Traughber.

"There are some real curiosities about what has been taken," said Armstrong. Armstrong sympathizes with those who've been affected but said there is little Wartburg can do to compensate.

"Wartburg cannot assume responsibility for theft and losses (page 36 of the Student Handbook)," said Armstrong. "It's just too much for the college."

Armstrong also commented on the first floor Clinton burglary. Freshman residents Adam Fischer and Matt Bozylinsky returned from break to find their door unlocked and their room robbed. When they left for break, both the door and windows were locked.

"It's one of those instances that if they (the burglar) wanted to get in, it's doable.

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Campus briefs

SPRING INTO HEALTH

Health Fair '99 will be taking place tomorrow from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Buhr Lounge. There will be interactive displays in the Student Union. Mayo One, an emergency helicopter, will be landing at 11 a.m. on the campus mall in front of Old Main, and an ambulance will also be on display. The event is sponsored by the Health and Wellness Center and Student Senate.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the 1999-2000 school year begins today and Tuesday for juniors and seniors. Sophomores will register March 22 and 23. Freshmen will register March 29 and 30. Bills must be paid in the Controller's Office before students are allowed to register.

The Registrar's Office is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students can bring registration cards in during these times on their two specified days. Registration cards will not be accepted early.

POETRY CONTEST

A $100 prize for poetry: *The Castle* Editor's Poetry Prize will award $100 from The Academy of American Poets to a student poet at the end of the term. You may submit a maximum of 2 poems to Ellie Miller, box 1545, by March 19. If you would like to enter a poem you already submitted to *The Castle*, please notify Miller.

CAB APPLICATIONS

CAB is new and improved and ready to get students involved. If you are interested in CAB, information and applications are available beginning Tuesday in the Campus Programming office located in the Jousting Post (next to Security). For more information call Ext. 8536

Candidates vying for student offices

Braithwaite and Salge

JESSICA BRAITHWAITE

by Jill Biwer
Staff Writer

Jessica Braithwaite and Grace Salge make up one of the teams vying for the positions of president and vice-president of the Student Senate.

"We want to bring fresh new leadership to the Senate," said Braithwaite.

Braithwaite and Salge have not served on Senate, so they consider themselves typical Wartburg students on the same level as other students. They said they know they have a lot to learn but are more than willing to do the job.

Their biggest goal for the school year is to make the Senate more efficient in its proceedings. Braithwaite and Salge also plan to work a lot with CAB to help get it back on its feet. They said they hope to get CAB organized well so it does not collapse again, and get more students involved.

A different leadership approach that is more student orientated is a benefit the candidates hope to bring to the school. They want to put the students' needs first and put into action programs that are more in sync with what the students want.

Both Braithwaite and Salge have held previous leadership positions in other campus activities. They both said they are well-rounded, enthusiastic, willing to learn and open to new challenges and ideas.

"If elected, we would strive to make the 1999-2000 school year fun for all Wartburg students." Braithwaite said.

Buzza and Bird

AARON BUZZA

by Amy Wieland
Staff Writer

"What can we do for *YOU*?" This is the logo seen around campus for Aaron Buzza and Harry Bird.

Buzza and Bird are campaigning for the president and vice-president of the Wartburg student body.

If Buzza and Bird are elected they say would better Wartburg in a number of ways.

They would like to reorganize and strengthen CAB by restructuring leadership to get more and better student involvement in event planning. They would also work to provide activities at least once each month.

With housing selection coming soon, Buzza and Bird would like to work with the Housing Committee to change the lottery system, making it more acceptable to students.

They would also like a change in meal plans by working with the Union Council. They would like to explore options other than Pick 10 or Pick 15. Also they would like the caf to offer better variety, especially in the vegetarian section. In addition they would like the Caf to provide healthier options in the cafeteria.

Another improvement is better senator/constituent interaction by working with campus media to provide more coverage of Senate events and meetings. Buzza and Bird would work on making Senators more accessible to constituents and increase interactions with the students.

Hamer and McNamara

EMILY HAMER

by Katie Shannon
Staff Writer

Sophomore Emily Hamer and freshman Matt McNamara are the only platform that has candidates from two different classes.

"[It is] one of the best strengths we have," Hamer said.

The pair spoke with Don Juhl, food service director, about new food plans such as a "Pick 12" plan.

Technology is also a focus. Hamer and McNamara have spoken with Pepsi and candy machine vendors and these companies are willing, at no cost, to convert all the machines in the residence halls to be used with swipe cards.

The team would like to push for 24 hour computer labs. They also want to update current computers with software programs.

Goals include increasing student involvement in activities and increase communications between campus leaders, faculty, Senate and administration.

"Being involved in a wide range of activities and organizations on campus allows us to pull together numerous resources," McNamara said.

Hamer and McNamara serve on Student Senate.

"We share our roles and work very well together," Hamer said. "We want to be a team, not just in the Senate office, but between senators and organizations and between administration and senate."

"We are experienced in the fields we are in now. We want to take that leadership role to the next level," McNamara said.

Hruska and Frost

WENDEL HRUSKA

by Sara Stensland
Staff Writer

Wendel Hruska and Janelle Frost have a common goal: to make Wartburg College a better place.

After being Senate members for the past two years, Hruska and Frost have begun their campaigning for the president and vice president positions of the Wartburg student body.

Hruska and Frost, both juniors, believe they can bring energy and better communication to the Senate and campus.

"We feel there needs to be more communication between the Senate and the student body," said Frost.

Possessing the same views on many issues, the candidates feel they will be able to attain their goals more effectively and efficiently.

One of their goals is to combine organization activities on campus. Their plan is to join all organizational activities. This will cut down on cost and provide programs and activities for the whole campus instead of individual groups.

Another goal of the Hruska and Frost campaign is to propose a new food plan. The two hope to change the current meal plans to a point system. With this system, money not used for cafeteria meals will be transferred directly to the Den.

"We have spoken with Don Juhl, the Union leader, and he feels this proposal is a definite possibility," said Frost.

Presidential runners voice opinions regarding issues

by Heidi Tiedt
Staff Writer

Wednesday night the race for the 1999-2000 Student Senate elections began with a presidential/vice-presidential debate in Buhr Lounge.

The teams taking part in the debate were Aaron Buzza/Harry Bird III, Wendel Hruska/Janelle Frost, Jessica Braithwaite/Grace Salge and Emily Hamer/Matt McNamara.

At the start of the debate each team was given some time to open its platform. Buzza and Bird began by saying they are proven leaders and effective communicators, and they will get the job done regardless of their lack of Student Senate experience.

"We aren't going to sit by the way-side and let things happen," Buzza said. "We are going to get out, roll up our sleeves and make things happen."

Hruska and Frost said between the two of them they have four years of Student Senate experience, and the people's concerns are their concerns.

"We will truly represent campus, and truly work to make Wartburg a better place for all of us," Hruska said.

Braithwaite and Salge said they are good representatives of the student body at Wartburg College because they are typical students.

"We would like to see more campus groups working together to achieve diversity both among the groups and among people on campus," said Braithwaite.

Hamer and McNamara's goal and theme focus on teamwork. They said because they are from two different grade levels, they will have a better perspective of how the students are feeling. They want to continue with the old ideas and start new ones.

"We want to be the 'clean up and finish up' crew," said Hamer. "We want to get things completed, and if we can't get them completed we want to know where they are headed."

In the first debate question the candidates were asked to described their roles at Wartburg as leaders, and how that will translate to Student Senate. All of the candidates are very involved at Wartburg, and all said they are qualified to take up their roles in Student Senate.

The second debate question focused on the platforms. Each team was asked to describe its most important platform item.

Braithwaite and Salge said they want to increase senator accountability, increase efficiency of Senate proceedings and let the campus know what is happening in senate.

Hruska and Frost focused on "setting up an organization council for organization leaders to gather as a group to ensure coherency on campus among different groups."

Hamer and McNamara want to focus on communication between senators and their constituents because the senators represent the student's voice.

Buzza and Bird want to encourage more student participation and attendance at Senate meetings so the students know what ideas go through senate.

The third question asked was for each person to choose an adjective that describes his or her running mate. It was a time for the candidates and the audience to see how well the teams work together.

The last debate question focused on the weaknesses of each team.

Both Buzza/Bird and Braithwaite/Salge said their biggest weakness is their Senate inexperience.

Hruska and Frost said their biggest weakness was that they will both be seniors next year.

Hamer and McNamara said they have too many ideas, and they try to do too much.

The next part of the debate was time for the audience to ask questions. Many questions were raised, including the new library, the budget, increasing involvement in organizations, balancing schedules and parliamentary procedure.

The final part of the debate was for the teams to challenge each other by asking one question.

Other students running for Student Senate executive positions are Holly O'Leary for recorder, and Dan Wolfe, Angela Helland and Joel Demro for treasurer. Elections are Tuesday at lunch time in the Caf line.

Honor code preserves degree value

by Heidi Tiedt
Staff Writer

Students at Wartburg should know the consequences of dishonesty.

"All professors are supposed to put the Honor Code in their syllabus, or at least something to that effect," said Wendel Hruska, co-chair of the Honor Council. "The Honor Council is pushing for it."

Most professors have a policy that cheating will result in automatic failing of the course, said Hruska.

"The best way to minimize the incidence of cheating or other dishonest conduct is to create a climate where it is simply not tolerated," said Fred Ribich, professor of psychology and advisor to the Honor Council.

The Honor Code was developed in 1995 when a group of students wanted to preserve the meaning and value of their hard-earned college degree, said Ribich.

The idea of this was to build trust between students and professors, Hruska said.

Hruska said there wasn't an active Honor Council until this year, and they are working on updating the responsibilities and procedures for the council.

Among the important roles assigned to the Honor Council, said Ribich, are those which involve educating students and faculty about academic integrity issues, promoting awareness of the Honor Code and affirming the importance of academic integrity to the entire campus community.

"It doesn't take many incidences of dishonesty to erode that reputation, and every student pays the price," said Ribich.

Hruska said the Honor Council is not something that deals with every case of cheating, but those cases where there is a dispute between the professor and the student over an accusation of cheating.

"The Honor Council was created for the students," said Hruska. "Its purpose is to uphold integrity as a campus."

"If students have a problem, they come to us," said Hruska. "We look at the evidence, and are very judicial about it, to see if the professor is in the wrong."

Fortunately, the Honor Council has not had to deal with cheating this year.

Hruska said he wants professors to recognize the Honor Council as a non-biased body that is not automatically on the student's side.

"If a student is caught cheating, and they know they're cheating, they shouldn't come to us," said Hruska.

Ribich said he wants to focus his energy on teaching and learning, not on playing "academic police officer." He said dishonesty reduces education to "some kind of casino game where students are simply players trying to beat the house. No one trusts anyone else and in the end we're all losers."

"I think the Honor Code and the work of the Honor Council are a very significant step toward assuring that Wartburg remains an enjoyable, meaningful and rewarding place to teach and learn," said Ribich.

Wartburg students voted state officers

by Chris Lange
Staff Writer

Wartburg's Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) received state recognition at the state-wide PBL meeting held March 5 and 6 in Boone. Students elected freshman Erich Heneke and junior Dave Rewertes for state president and state vice president, respectively.

The two began their road to office by filling out the pre-application forms in January. Once the paper work was completed, they prepared speeches and distributed brochures at the state PBL meeting. Maridy Kluender, senior and current president of Wartburg's PBL, served as their campaign manager.

Friday night Heneke and Rewertes gave a speech to the 70-member assembly. A student panel questioned the pair Saturday, which was followed by voting Heneke and Rewertes the indisputable favorites.

"We met as many people (at the meeting) as we could. This gave people a chance to know us better and find out what we wanted to accomplish this year," Heneke said. In high school Heneke was the state treasurer for the Future Business Leaders of America, which gave him experience for his new position.

The responsibilities for the one-year term include leading two state conferences in Boone and Newton and attending the midwest conferences in St. Louis and Chicago.

Hunger goal met

Kate Kelting/TRUMPET

OUT IN THE COLD—Sophomore Chris Thomas and junior John Borleske slept outside next to Old Main in an effort to gather food for KWAR/Habitat for Humanity hunger strike Thursday and Friday. More than 1,800 items of food were collected in 24.5 hours, which exceeded the goal of 1,652 items.

Student Conduct Board inactive

by Brita Monson
Copy Editor

It has a great purpose, a detailed structure and responsible students, yet the Student Conduct Board (SCB) has not been utilized by students in the last three years.

According to the Wartburg student handbook, the purpose of the SCB is to "consider any disciplinary matters involving the student as a citizen on campus and in the Waverly community" (p. 41).

Greg Allen, Clinton residence hall director and adviser of the SCB, said, "A violation of policy can be handled in several ways." Some options include going to a resident assistant or residence hall director.

"Then the student has a choice between going before the SCB or an executive board meeting with Pete Armstrong," he said.

Going before Armstrong, director of residential life, has been the only choice of Wartburg students over the past three years. According to Allen, the SCB was utilized several times in his first year of involvement with the board four years ago, but he can only speculate about the reasons for the lack of use in the past few years.

Allen's leading theory on why students opt to see Armstrong over the SCB is expediency. It takes up to a couple weeks or so for the SCB to organize and meet to hear a case. The SCB has 10 members and it takes seven members to have a quorum. That's a lot of juggling of calendars for 10 busy Wartburg students.

While students are not utilizing the SCB, faculty and staff have found another purpose for these carefully selected students.

"When we had the big telephone scam, we used [the SCB] in a consultative role," said Lex Smith, vice president for student life and dean of students.

Allen said in that particular situation the students on the SCB discussed how students could be held accountable for the phone bill and formulated a letter to the student body explaining the situation.

While this role benefits the Wartburg community, both Smith and Allen agree that the real benefit of the SCB is to the students.

"Personally, I would like to see more cases go to the conduct board. I think peer involvement is important," said Smith.

"I'd like to see [the SCB] utilized. Students are a large part of this community," said Allen. "They have the ability to send a powerful message. It's not administration or staff saying, 'Don't do this.' It's students taking an active role in their community."

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The bottom line is they will do it," said Armstrong.

"It's scary," said sophomore Molly Mason regarding the burglaries. Mason was in her Clinton ground room alone when she heard the attempted trespasser open her window around 1:30 a.m. on March 2. Mason reported she heard a male voice say "hello" and when she responded "hello", he fled.

"I've never been so scared in my life," said Mason. "I hid behind my dresser for an hour and a half." Through this scare Mason realized the importance of security and locking windows and doors.

"Everybody needs to double check," said Mason.

"From a Residential Life perspective, we will have to do better checks during large breaks," said Myers. Security has talked about getting "security screens" for the windows, but according to Myers, the best way to prevent break-ins from occurring again is to make sure all windows are locked.

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Dispelling the civic disengagement myth

Tim Bottorff

All right, enough about CAB already!

With the collapse of CAB earlier this year — an event that in itself was only mildly newsworthy — came a general outpouring of feelings of discouragement from many students and faculty members.

Those making the noise cite how involvement in CAB, Student Senate and other traditional campus groups is declining. In fact, they insist, there has been a marked decline in civic engagement among Wartburg students over the past few years.

But hold on a minute. Even if it were true that students are significantly less interested in giving their time to involvement in campus groups, it seems to me that we're not asking the right kind of questions (or looking for the right kind of answers).

The furor over CAB has basically amounted to a few students trying to push a lot of guilt onto the student body. These students say it's YOUR fault you don't get off your lazy butt and "lead" something. But when asked why they don't take the initiative themselves, these same students complain of not having enough time, being as they are already involved in numerous other campus activities.

Don't you think it's time we stop blaming the victims? Instead of pointing fingers and trying to guilt-trip each other into positions we don't want to and don't have the time to be in, how about asking more important questions, such as, why is it that good, responsible students who want to be involved with or lead campus groups cannot find the time to do so?

Why is it that the modern college student is pulled in so many directions that he/she scarcely knows which way is up?

Moreover, far from seeing a decline in civic engagement, I see a campus that is as alive as any time in the three years that I've been here.

I've seen the formation of a chapter of the Black Student Union. I've seen a considerable growth in the membership of the Writers' Group. On a related note, I've seen the Castle return to being a twice-a-year publication.

I've seen interest in band on campus grow to proportions that necessitated the creation of the Symphonic Band. I've seen four motivated students initiate what has grown into a very successful cancer support group.

I've seen readership of, letters to, and interest in the *Trumpet* increase significantly. Just this past week, I've seen a group of hunger strikers sleep outside of Old Main. I'm sure there are many other examples, too. So I ask, are these signs of a lazy, apathetic campus?

Maybe those who are panicking about the "lack of leadership" on campus aren't looking at the right kind of campus groups.

I contend that traditional campus groups such as CAB and Student Senate are top-down, hierarchical organizations that are only mildly beneficial to the well-being of a community.

On the other hand, informal associational groups are the kind most likely to build community character and trust. These, I'm happy to report, are alive and well on the Wartburg campus.

So go on boohooing and finger pointing about CAB if you must. Meanwhile, I was wondering, would anyone be interested in participating in a campus chess club? If so, email me at bottorfft.

EDITORIAL

Candy-coated underdogs, buzzed birds and wanted posters

Fortunately, we don't directly choose our new student body president and vice president based on campaign posters, buttons or slogans.

Not because the candidate tickets did a horrible job of campaigning this year; on the contrary, they showed great creativity and humor.

But you will (hopefully) be choosing next year's Senate leaders based on their ideas for improving life at Wartburg. So let's look at the issues...

Experience or no experience? That seems to be the question. Senate experience is undoubtedly a plus; however, so is leadership experience outside that hallowed forum of student discourse. Maybe what Senate needs is a couple of 'outsiders' to bring some fresh air into Buckmaster. More importantly, upperclassmen, regardless of their knowledge of parliamentary procedure, have more experience with being students at Wartburg and are more aware of issues and problems facing students who are ending their college experience.

Another hot topic is creating support for organization leaders, possibly by setting up an 'Organization Council.' Interpretation: create yet *another* meeting for overcommitted students to attend. What's needed is a specific plan to recruit more students to take up leadership positions on campus, specifics that no ticket has really been clear on.

Two words that really are getting voters' attention: food service. The Hruska/Frost team seems the most thorough in this area, and Buzza/Bird are not far behind.

Perhaps the most baffling platform ideas concern campus media. While two of the teams specifically want to use the media for better coverage of Senate meetings, no one has contacted the *Trumpet* about those possibilities. And why aren't the two tickets whose candidates are currently in Senate working on improving that situation right now?

Despite some holes in the platforms, each team has got its strength: The refreshing honesty of Braithwaite/Salge, the polish of Hamer/McNamara, the experience of Hruska/Frost and the creativity of Buzza/Bird.

Heck of a decision to make tomorrow. Grab your M&M's, think about going for an underdog, watch for birds with buzz-cuts and remember, above all else, that experience with burning buildings is essential.

Service more than just another job

Chris Thomas

Winter Break — a week that most of us have been looking forward to since the last day of Christmas Break. A time in the year where we can put homework and papers aside and focus on sleeping in and relaxation. A whole week to do whatever we pleased.

Some students traveled to Florida and the marvelous Panama Beach, some got acquainted with their television sets and yet others toured with sports teams or music groups.

I don't want this to be a "what I did on my vacation" story — although it would be nice to be back in the fourth grade for a while — but I have to tell you, I wouldn't give up what I did for a million dollars. Along with 10 other students, I traveled on a service trip to New Mexico.

I was skeptical as to what I was getting myself into when I signed up to be a co-leader of a service trip.

I had never gone on a service trip before and really didn't want to give up my break.

After all, we all work hard here at Wartburg and we deserve a week off every now and then. After much deliberation I decided to give it a shot.

We went to the Gila National Forest outside of Truth or Consequences, N.M. The forest is more than a million acres of mountains, trees and wildlife. Driving into our campsite you could see nothing but untouched nature for miles.

We volunteered to help build part of the Continental Divide Scenic Trail, which, when complete, will stretch from the Canadian boarder to the Mexican boarder.

We arrived and set up camp, and hiked right up to our work site. I hadn't expected it to be as hard as it was; in fact, I wasn't ready for it at all.

After the first day I started questioning why I had come in the first place.

Then we started working and learning. Our site director wasn't happy with us just working. He wanted us to know why we were doing what we had come to do.

We learned about trail construction and maintenance, forest fire fighting, archeology, camping and the history of the forest and the trail we were building. It was an educational trip as well as a service trip.

I first thought I didn't come here to learn — I came to work. But by learning while we worked, it made the experience all that more meaningful.

We didn't shower, we slept in tents or outside, and our bathroom was a hole in the ground about 200 yards away from camp. We hiked around six miles a day and all of our work was done at an elevation of around 8,300 feet. We had blisters, we had trouble breathing and none of us would have wanted it any other way.

So now that it is all over, I'm glad I did it. I used to do service work in high school but I hadn't yet in college. I forgot what it was like to help someone who is less fortunate than myself.

Eighty Wartburg students agree with me and went on service trips. We all realize that we are fortunate and that we are lucky to have what we have.

Again this week I gave up part of myself to help others. KWAR sponsored the Hunger Strike and the students, staff and faculty responded. We collected more than 1,800 non-perishable food items to give to area food banks.

I commend everyone who participated and helped out. I live outside a large city and see homelessness and hunger on a daily basis, but until now it didn't bother me.

I slept outside this week in a cardboard box and I never wish to do it again. Again, I am lucky because I probably never will have to, but that doesn't change the fact that people are homeless and hungry.

No matter what is going on in the world, people still need our help.

Now that the service trips and the hunger strike are over, don't stop helping. People are still in need. It doesn't take much, either.

Collect food or old clothes on your floor, volunteer at a food bank or a homeless shelter or even help right here on campus and get involved in Habitat for Humanity.

The Salvation Army says it best when they remind us all that "need knows no season."

ABOUT FACE

What is the most important issue in the Student Body President and Vice President elections?

"I think the most important issue is if the president and vice-president are willing to stand up for what the students want."
—Jen Cox, senior

"The most important issue is having computers that don't break down and that are more available to students."
—Erika Knorovsky, sophomore

"The most important issue, I think, has to do with the food service and Den points."
—Drew Ditmars, junior

"First-year students should get Den points."
—Scott Denner, freshman

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support of Christian focus during SEW

I have long been an avid supporter of Students for Peace and Justice, and will continue to be so. They are a critical voice on our campus and continue to raise important issues that seek to expand our vision beyond the confining walls of Wartburg College. (And I certainly appreciate and affirm their support of a Muslim cemetery in Waterloo.)

However, I found their recent *Trumpet* letter to be most disturbing. There appeared to be a huge leap of logic in suggesting that because our recent Spiritual Emphasis Week was Christ-centered, it was necessarily supportive of hatred, prejudice and religious bigotry.

To suggest that because people are passionately Christian they are necessaily judgmental of others and their faith is dangerous. Indeed, this judgment itself is ironic, for it violates the very concern for openness to others that I believe this organization and their letter are trying to express.

Dr. Robert Dell, the founder of Students for Peace and Justice, was one of the most committed Christians I have ever known in my life. He lived his life and faith passionately. But that passion wal always open to others, especially to those who harshly judged him.

There's a lesson there for all of us.

Larry Trachte,
college pastor

As a follower of Christ, I'm called to share the Truth — not what I claim as having come up with or as relevant to my experiences, but what I know to be the Truth based on the Bible. One of the letters to the editor in the last edition of the *Trumpet* talked about how we should celebrate different faiths and spiritual practices here at Wartburg.

On the contrary, my heart aches for those who don't know Christ. My heart pounds when lack of acceptance of the "great religious and spiritual diversity that exists in the world around us" means ignorance. To me it means the difference between life and death. My heart races to think that we are daring enough at a Christian college to knowingly welcome and call for celebration of different faiths.

Where is the cry that Jesus himself declared? That he is the Way , the Truth and the Life! You can label me as self-righteous, and I'll willingly tell you I'm a sinner. You can label me as closed-minded. I'll tell you I've only got my mind made up. You can label me ignorant. I'll tell you my four-year liberal arts training has been primarily on learning about many people of many types and how to relate to them.

Yeah, Spiritual Emphasis Week was narrow in scope. I praise God for that! Jesus says the road is narrow that leads to him.

I don't think the problem on our campus is lack of educating ourselves about others and their beliefs and customs. I can know all I can about different faiths and various forms of spirituality apart from Christianity and yes, appreciate and respect the openness that it brings, but knowing more won't change my mind one bit. The problem is a lack of conviction and standing, as Christians, for what is the Truth. I believe, and will die to my belief, that Jesus is our only hope for true life, joy and peace. There is no other answer.

So some of you are mad. Some of you are cheering me on. Some of you have questions. I pray that by the grace of God I would be given strength to answer. I'm not writing this to come across as holy. I'm a sinner needing God's grace and forgiveness through Jesus daily. I'm not writing this to prove myself. I have no righteousness in who I am apart from Christ. I'm not writing this to condemn. Jesus offers true life to all who believe in him and enter into a personal relationship with him.

I'm writing this because I don't want to have to look you in the eyes on judgment day and hear you say "Why didn't you tell me?"

Linsey Kleckner,
senior

Hunger striker thanks food donors

I would like to thank everyone who helped make the Hunger Strike possible. In just over 24 hours, we met our goal by receiving 1,652 items of food for area food banks and have since totaled 1,807 items. Student Senate will also be matching the donations. Wartburg should be proud of that dedication.

Ten of us stayed next to Old Main last Thursday and Friday. We had a fun time out there. But after 24 hours, we were cold, tired, dirty and hungry. Yet, we were lucky — we had friends who stopped by to drop off warm drinks; we had makeshift shelter; we had sleeping bags; we had warm clothes; we were prepared; and we knew it would all end. No one should have to go through that — especially in reality.

Now that the Hunger Strike is done, please stay involved in hunger issues. KWAR and Habitat for Humanity took the first step by providing a way for you to give; now it is up to you to take initiative. Take time to learn about hunger problems, give regularly to food banks and organizations, and never forget those who have less than we do.

Thanks goes to all who donated food for those less fortunate!

John Borleske,
KWAR program director

Smoking in 1953 not 'addictive'

I read with interest Sara Baker's "Up in Smoke" in the Jan. 18 issue of the *Trumpet*. A few weeks before it apperaed I had run across a research paper dated Jan. 16, 1953, which a Wartburg classmate, Harold Gronstal, and I had written for our Psychology of Adolescence class. It is titled "Survey on Smoking at Wartburg College and Research on the Smoking Situation."

I saved Sara's article, and when the research paper surfaced again a couple of days ago, I thought you might like to see a little information from it.

We had received 383 returns (a remarkable number, as I think of it, considering the size of the student body 46 years ago), 222 from men and 161 from women.

It showed that 33.9 percent of the responding students smoked — 49.9 percent of the men, and 13 percent of the women. Over 82 percent of the men had tried smoking at some time or other, and 54 percent of the women.

The survey showed, also that of the male smokers, 72 percent said they actually enjoyed it, and 62 percent of the females.

Our reserach noted that statistics nationwide at that time showed an increasing number of people smoking. There was also speculation then about why, noting that there were evidently psychological reasons for it.

While the word "addiction" does not appear in our paper, we quoted one expert as saying that the psychological urge is soon reinforced by a "pharmacological" ufge — the true physical craving for tobacco.

We also noted that "there has been no case proven against the chemicals in cigarettes, although nicotine and benzopyrene are under suspicion." Our paper discussed findings about how cigarettes irritate the throat, and noted various discussion of other health hazards.

While we quoted a Dr. Alvan L. Barach of New York, witness for a cigarette manufacturer in a hearing before Federal Trade Commissioners as saying: "I don't believe cigarette smoking produces any damage with respect to the lungs; I don't believe so-called cigarette cough is a reality," we also quoted a Dr. Graham of Washington University with saying that "it is curious how very few [1/2 of one per cent] non-smokers develop lung cancer ... while 95 percent of patients with lung cancer smoke a pack or more of cigarettes a day."

I thought you and your readers — and certainly Sara Baker — might find this bit of history interesting.

George Hanusa,
Trumpet staffer from way back when

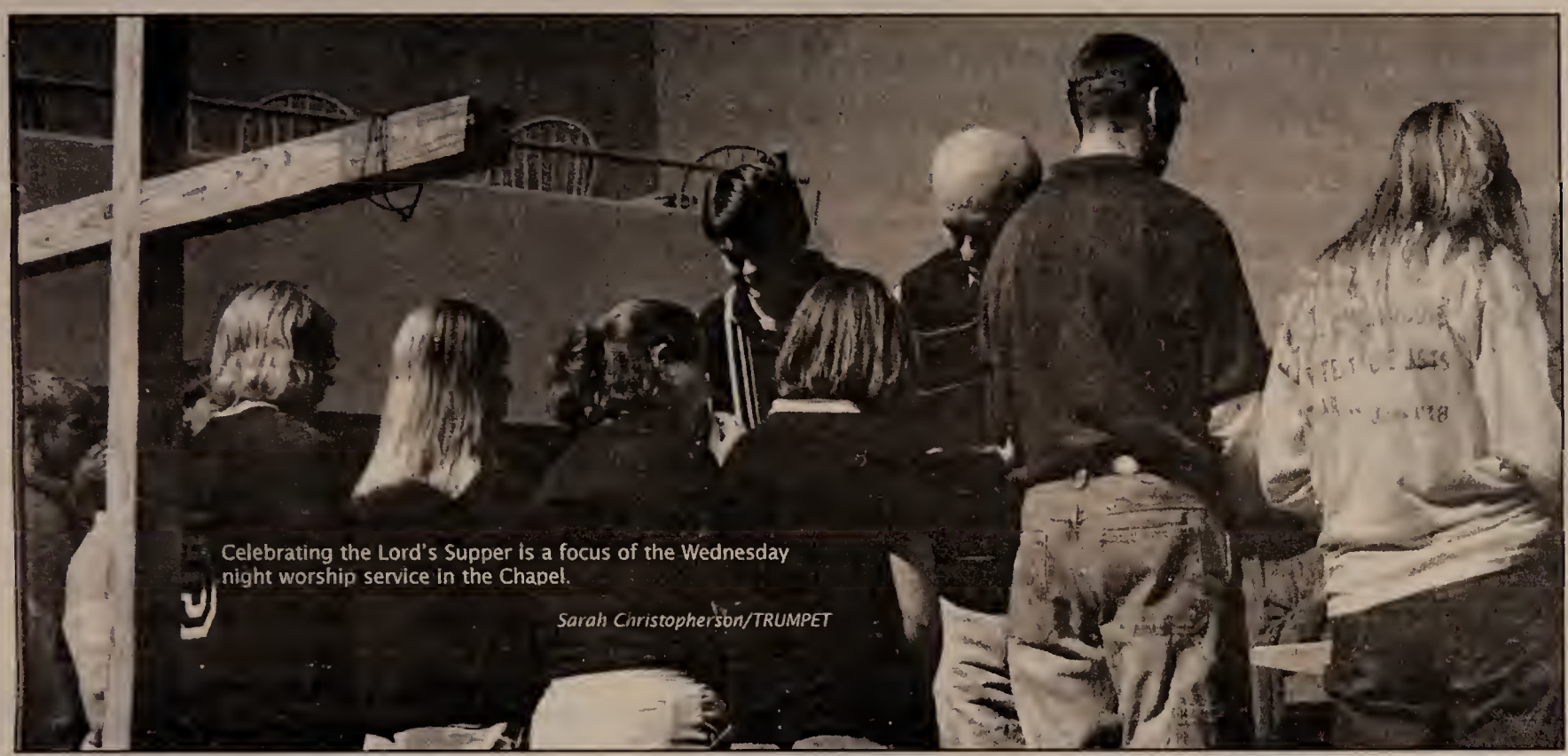
Student trainers are champs, too

We would like to congratulate the Wartburg wrestling team, coaches and staff on their tremendous achievement in winning the 1999 NCAA Division III National Championship and 1999 Conference title!

It had been a tough year, plagued with injuries, and therefore this championship also pays tribute to the excellent care given by Jeff Marcks, ATC and his student trainers.

CONGRATULATIONS WARTBURG!

Dr. David Rathe
and Dr. Arnold Delbridge



Celebrating the Lord's Supper is a focus of the Wednesday night worship service in the Chapel.

Sarah Christopherson/TRUMPET

Campus Ministry

by Stephanie Robbins
Editor

Arms raised toward the basement ceiling, students sing along with guitar accompaniment. After a shared meal and the singing, there's a Bible study. Then there is a time for prayer, with fortive "Yes, Lord"s and murmurs of "Amen" throughout as several people offer praise and thanks to God. Sometimes people will lay their hands on one of the gathered and pray specifically for the one they reach out to touch. This is Christian worship for some Wartburg students every Sunday night in the home of a Waverly family.

Several Wartburg students travel off-campus for worship and religious activities that fit an upbeat, more charismatic, or more Bible-based atmosphere. "A lot of my friends will go to Waterloo and they'll invite me along. Wartburg's services are kind of an extended chapel service, and the services [I attend] in Waterloo are more contemporary," said junior Brian Cole.

Congregations like Nazareth Lutheran, Orchard Hill, and Heartland Vineyard, all in the Waterloo/Cedar Falls area, host Wartburg students in services on Sunday mornings. Junior Kelly Orr says going to church off-campus is more than finding a compatible worship style. "Worshiping off-campus, you're with families, you're with communities. It's not just with students your own age," she said.

Junior Kristin Wendland, worship committee chair and campus ministry board member, decides the style of Wartburg's worship for Sunday mornings. Though attendance for the more traditional services in Wartburg's chapel has gone down the past couple years, Wendland doesn't think people are staying home on Sunday mornings. "Some worship off-campus because they ... like different worship styles. People are worshipping and that's wonderful. I don't see my position as saying, 'You should worship on campus.'"

Some students would like to have more support for off-campus worship. Last year, a student-initiated proposal to place a bulletin board with information about area churches, concerts and other religious activities was turned down because it wouldn't fit the decor of the Chapel. No solution for posting the off-campus opportunities has taken effect in the Chapel yet.

Wartburg's Wednesday night Eucharist service has been the best-attended weekly service on campus since its inception in 1994. That was a year of change for campus ministry: the Wartburg Chapel was completed and Ramona Bouzard joined the staff as director of church relations.

Campus Pastor Larry Trachte said many students were skeptical of the Wednesday night services when they began in '94. "A lot of students said 'Not Wednesday. It'll never work — that's Joe's night.' But I was a stubborn German; I said 'We're going to try it.'"

More than 150 students came the first Wednesday to the contemporary service typified by "camp" music with guitars, and by the third week, attendance was above the 300 mark.

"I told Ramona to pinch me — I couldn't believe it was happening," said Trachte. Bible studies and outreach programs, like Faith Alive and Spiritsong, were also going well.

"In my heart of hearts, I knew this honeymoon wouldn't last forever," Trachte said.

Last year, what Trachte and campus ministry board members labeled a "division" split some campus Christians along lines of worship style.

For some students, the disenchantment with campus ministry also covers differences in theology. "[The division] was on religious terminology, the importance of a personal relationship [with Jesus]. It's about theology, worship styles, how to live out your faith,... and the role of the Bible," said senior Linsey Kleckner, who goes to services on and off campus.

"It was a strong group of people who feel disenfranchised," said Trachte. "[Their] goal was to get the rest of campus to become like them, though they never said that. They turned off the rest of campus because they were too narrow-minded, pushy...

"The evangelical movement is built on holiness — an emphasis on purity and chastity, which is very good. The danger is when that's presented as the Gospel," said Trachte.

Students on one side of the division made others uncomfortable at the Eucharist service because they felt judged, he said. "The word on campus was 'Super-Christians,'" said Trachte.

The division, which was more evident last year than now, may be a result of campus ministry's breadth of focus.

Senior Lisa Smith, campus ministry board president, said the board's purpose is two-fold. There are individual and interactive elements, and trying to serve both those who are new to Christianity and providing for mature believers is difficult, she said.

"The number of people who want more out of campus ministry are a small minority," Smith said.

"[Diversity of worship style] was a weakness last year, but now it's a strength," said Smith. "There's been great dialogue — people have been great about keeping the lines of communication open."

Junior Mindy VanCleave, campus ministry board chaplain, agrees that dialogue between groups has been helpful. VanCleave and others think that the mid-week Eucharist service in the Wartburg Chapel doesn't meet the needs of everyone who attends. "I think it is campus ministry's job [to provide more things to meet people's needs] because there are a lot of people searching off-campus," she said.

"I see [campus worship] meeting the needs of some people," said junior Allie Brauhn, campus ministry vice president. "It would be nice to be encouraged to go where your needs are met."

"There's a lack of consistency [with the Wednesday night service]; it's not very solid because it's so broad. It'd be cool if they had different groups in charge of the different parts of the service," said VanCleave.

With campus ministry board elections coming up next week, the issue of worship may play a part in students' votes. Sophomore Joni Burrier is running for next year's campus ministry board president. "I don't go to Chapel because it doesn't do enough for me," she said. "I'd like to add another worship service — in addition to what we already have." She envisions setting up a praise and worship service, not unlike an informal student-led time of song and prayer that started this term in the Chapel late on Friday nights.

While Sunday morning worship and the Wednesday night services benefit several students, there is reason to believe that the extreme ends of the religious spectrum — the seekers who don't know much about Christianity and the mature Christians who want to be challenged further — are not getting served well by campus ministry.

Starting this month, Bouzard is starting up a weekly discussion and study group that will take a closer look at theological topics. The series may help fill a void left by the absence of campus-wide Bible studies this year. The Bible studies didn't take off this year, said Trachte. "We need to do more with Bible studies — and I mean relational Bible studies. Students don't want another class," he said.

Though outreach groups such as Faith Alive, Christ's Jestures and Spiritsong serve the interests of many students, several people feel a lack of programming and activities with prayer and worship focuses. On Sunday mornings, many students are driving to Waverly churches and farther to get what they want.

"Off-campus, the focus is also on small groups and activities other than Sunday mornings," said Orr.

"We should be encouraged to pray for each other and build each other up," said junior Ashley Thompsen. "We don't get a lot of that here."

"Seriously, we're kind of lost. One of our goals is to meet the needs of the campus, but none of us knows how to go about that," said VanCleave.

Editor's note: A second part analysis piece in an upcoming issue of the Trumpet will focus on how campus ministry is serving the unchurched.

Nathan Friesen and Jaime Spratt/ THE TRUMPET

Baseball runs for first — again

by Jake Byers
Sports Editor

Back to back ... to back? That is what the Knights' baseball team will be going for. Wartburg will try for a third consecutive conference championship this season.

The Knights are returning 12 seniors and nine juniors from last season's team. Fifteen of these are letterwinners.

"A lot of experienced players that are used to winning are returning," head coach Joel Holst said.

The coaching staff has added some faces this year; some are new and some are not so new. Scott Brickman is a pitching coach and UNI graduate. Joining Brickman as new coaches are two former players, Kyle Knudtson and Bob Etringer.

The Knights had a conference record of 20-4 last season. Wartburg set a school record with a 40-10 record. This record included a 7-3 win over the University of Wisconson-Stevens Point, the school's first post-season win in history.

"We have a group of guys that could be all-conference at all positions," said Holst.

The Knights started the year this fall with what Holst called some "laid back" practices. According to him the team developed the chemistry that is so important to a team.

Holst said the team has four goals for this year. First team chemistry is to be established. This has already begun Holst said.

The second is to accumulate a 3.0 GPA for the team, which they accomplished last year. Third, they want to win their third IIAC championship.

Finally, the Knights want to take a trip to the College World Series. This is the only goal this team has not achieved.

Working toward these goals started this Winter Break with a trip to Panama City, Fla. The Knights went 7-2-1 against good competition from the Ohio Athletic Conference.

"The Ohio Athletic Conference is one of the better conferences in the nation. We won four of five games against the first and second place teams," said Holst.

Most of the positions for Wartburg are filled by returning starters. However, a few spots are being battled for. Left field was left vacant last year and transfer Andy Lebo and Pat Lowe are vying for the spot. Another position left open is third base. Senior Matt Hansen and sophomore Scott Bantz are battling for that spot.

Holst said, "We have some pleasant surprises this season."

The performance of Bantz is one of them. Matt Thede's pitching has also improved. Holst said he had a great start down south.

"These guys are performing above and beyond expectations," said Holst.

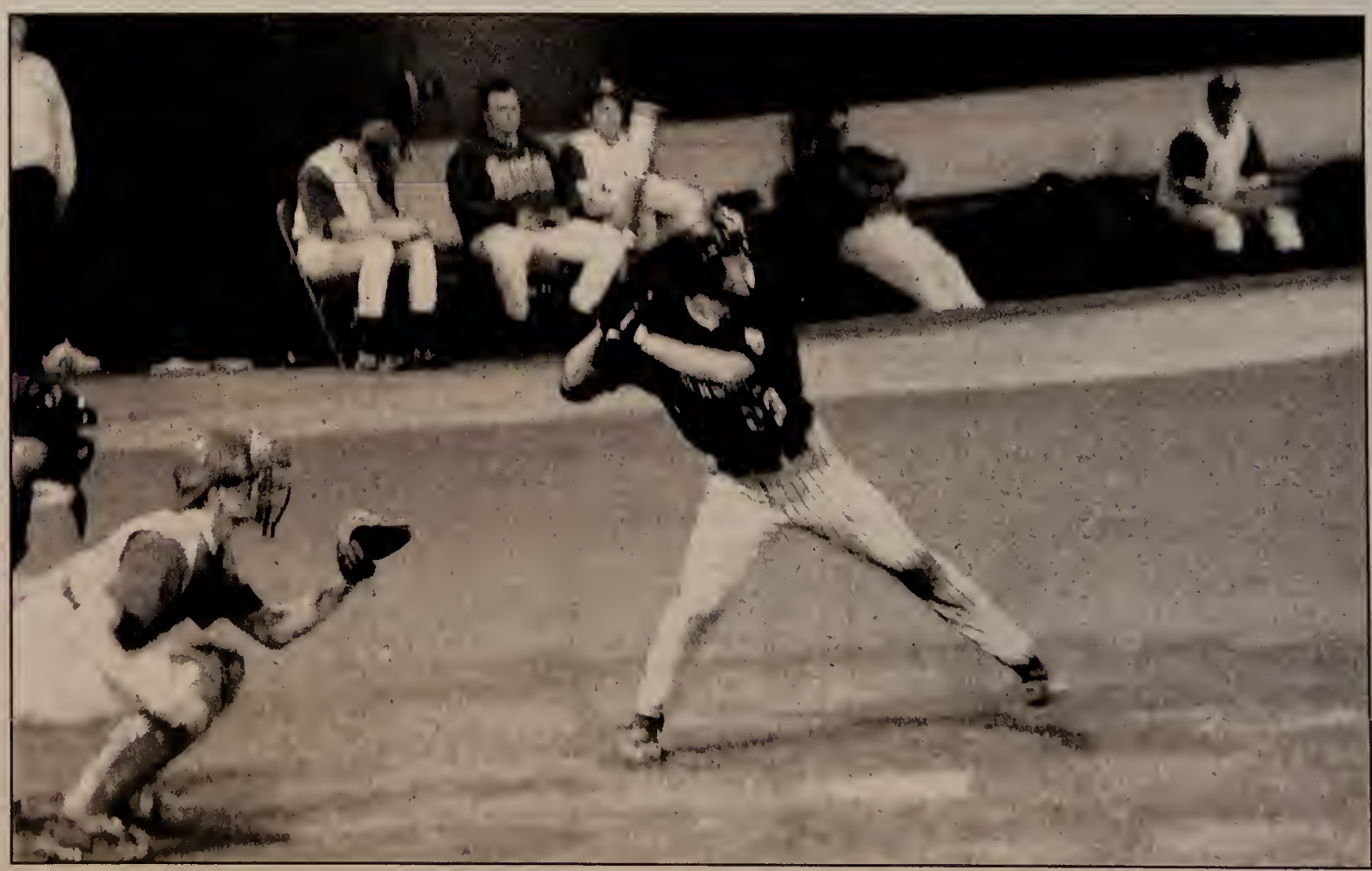
One new challenge facing the Knights this season is the conference's switch to wooden bats.

"Play ball, it doesn't matter," Holst said in response to the change.

He said it would be an offensive disadvantage, but it will help the pitchers. His only concern is switching over from wooden to metal in tournament situations.

"We expect to win the IIAC championship. It will be an overall disappointing season if we don't win with the kids we have that have already done it," said Holst.

The Knights begin conference play April 1.



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READY, SET, WHACK—The Knights' baseball team is looking for its third conference title this spring. Senior Ross Polking goes for the gate at the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

Jill Benson/TRUMPET

Slapping, swinging and speed spell softball success

by Janna Swedin
Sports Editor

Returning eight letterwinners, the Knights' softball team is looking to its offensive positioning to be the key this spring. Posting a 7-3 record during Winter Break, the Knights got a head start on their upcoming competition.

The team spent seven days in Ocoee, Fla., playing to its full potential, said head coach Robin Baker.

"I was very pleased with our performances over break," Baker said. "We really showed a lot of heart."

Wartburg rumbled with a rack of rugged teams from all over the United States, even taking on some fellow Iowan squads. The Iowa Conference played a part in Wartburg's successful record. The Knights took on the University of Dubuque in their first game in the Sunshine state, downing the Spartans 5-2.

The Du-hawks of Loras College were also among the Knights' victims, being easily controlled 8-5.

Other Iowa wins for the Knights were Clarke College of Dubuque and Northwestern of Orange City.

"I am happy to see the intensity and teamwork everyone has shown to play and win," said senior Andi Hemesath. "It's fun to see the freshmen excited about our traditions."

In 10 games, the Knights outscored their opponents 64-32. Leading the team in hits is junior catcher Val Kies with 17. Other double-digit dominators include seniors Renae Rost and Rianne Pfaltzgraff with 12 hits, and junior Ali Levin with 11. As a team, the Knights flash a .373 batting average.

Defensively, Wartburg will look to its pitchers for strength. Hemesath of Calmar was a second-team All-IIAC and All-Region pick last year. She returns after posting a 14-3 record with a 1.26 ERA and 68 strikeouts during the 1998 season. Junior Brandi Becker of Jesup is the only other pitcher with any experience and will see more of the mound this season.

> ***"Everyone always seems to play their best against us; its always a good game."***
>
> —Andi Hemesath, senior

Offense will be a strong suit with the help of freshmen Natalie Curran of Waterloo and Shelly Williams of Lytton.

"Nat has a lot of confidence and speed," Baker said. "She will be a threat on the bases."

Letterwinners Angie Gorsuch, Kristy Loy, Rost, Pfaltzgraff and Kies will also boast big bats for the Knights.

"We play in the toughest Division III conference in the nation," said Baker.

In the past nine years, three national titles have come from the IIAC. Baker said it's the love of the game and the work ethic of the athletes that makes them unable to quit or lose sight of their goal.

"Our goal is to win the Iowa Conference, but it will be a dog fight," said Hemesath. "Everyone always seems to play their best against us; it's always a good game."

Scouring the conference, Hemesath said Simpson, Central, Buena Vista and Wartburg look to be the teams to beat.

"It won't be easy; we can't take any game lightly. It's intense competition because all the teams have talent."

The Knights open play at Indianola March 20, where they will take on a truffle

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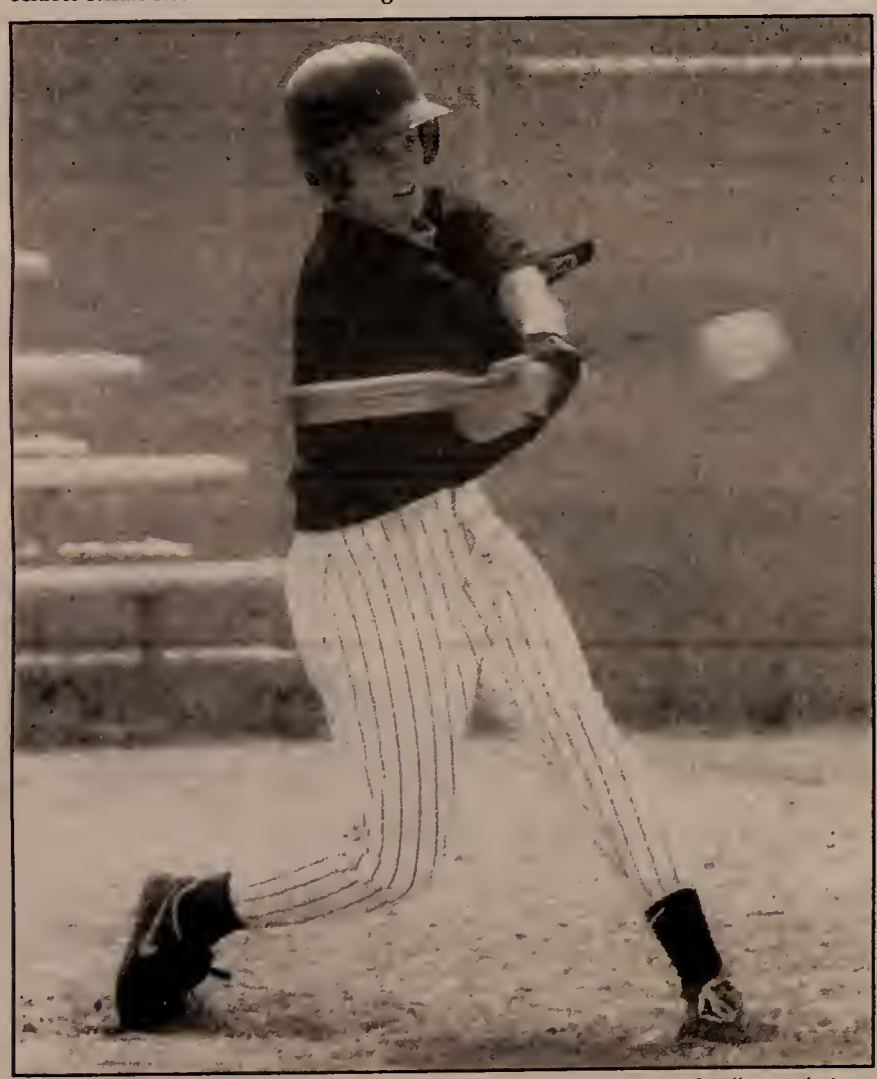
CAN I GET A WHOOP WHOOP—Freshman Jolene Goerend (left) and senior Angie Gorsuch celebrate during indoor softball practice.



Courtesy of College Relations

SEE THAT PITCH—Last year's stats show that senior Kristy Loy will be a threat to opposing pitchers this spring.

1999 Knights softball schedule

Sat. & Sun., March 20-21	Simpson Tourn.	Indianola	10 a.m.
Sat., March 27	Simpson Tourn.	Indianola	10 a.m.
Wed., March 31	Grandview	Waverly	3 p.m.
Fri., Sat., April 2-3	Augustana	Brookings, SD	1 p.m.
Wed., April 7	Coe	Waverly	3 p.m.
Sat., April 10	Central	Waverly	2 p.m.
Sat., April 17	Buena Vista	Storm Lake	2 p.m.
Tues., April 20	Loras	Dubuque	3 p.m.
Thurs., April 22	Dubuque	Waverly	3 p.m.
Sat., April 24	Luther	Waverly	2 p.m.
Wed., April 28	William Penn	Oskaloosa	3 p.m.
Sat., May 1	Simpson	Indianola	2 p.m.
Tues., May 4	Upper Iowa	Waverly	3 p.m.
Sat., May 8	Cornell	Mt. Vernon	2 p.m.

1999 Knights softball roster

Name	Year	Position
Natalie Curran	1	OF/C
Andi Hemesath	4	P
Jolene Goerend	1	SS
Brandi Halsne	1	OF
Betsy DeBower	1	2B/P
Britnee Niemann	1	OF
Valerie Kies	3	C/1F
Shelly Williams	1	2B/SS
Jamie Curran	2	3B
Tara Hainstock	1	OF
Alison Levin	3	OF/1B
Brandi Becker	3	P
Katrina Schuknecht	3	C/1F
Janna Swedin	2	3B/P
Carrie Crawford	2	1B
Angie Gorsuch	4	OF
Renae Rost	4	SS
Rianne Pfaltzgraff	4	3B/2B
Stacy Kelly	1	OF/SS
Brooke Wedemier	1	3B
Heather Mieborg	1	OF
Lindsey Whitehead	1	3B/SS
Stephanie Eliasen	1	1B
Emily Strumpel	1	1B

Franzen brings new glory to golf

by Katie Kalil
Staff Writer

The men's golf team is off to a good start with the help of a new coach and key players.

After a successful season as the Knights' assistant men's basketball coach, Mark Franzen is coaching the men's golf team this year. He is a Wartburg alumnus and teaches physical education classes as well.

"Franzen's really a great guy," said sophomore Ben Thompson.

"He's got that coaching instinct," said teammate Spencer Goettsch. "He's not just a good golf coach, he's a good coach all around."

The team returned Sunday from a four-day trip to Birmingham, Ala., where they played 63 holes of golf.

"We were a little rusty at first, but then we were OK," Goettsch said. "I'd say we each cut five to six strokes off of our first day's round by the last day."

Franzen said he is pleased with the results of the trip and the performance of the players.

"One of the key players for us this year is Matt Anphinson," Franzen said.

He reports that Anphinson played very well and was ranked No. 1 on the team during the fall season. Franzen said to keep an eye on freshman Mark Nemmers as well. Nemmers played every meet in the fall and will have a great influence on the performance of the team.

> ***"He's not just a good golf coach. He's a good coach all around."***
>
> —Spencer Goettsch, sophomore

"I think Nemmers is going to play very good golf for us this season," said Goettsch.

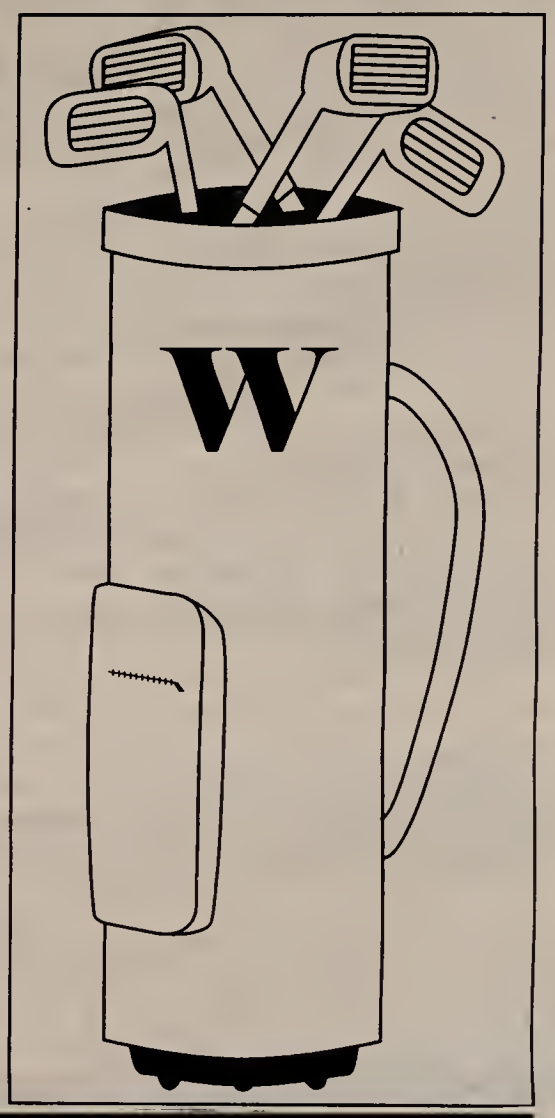
An outlook on the swing of the Iowa Conference brings such challenges as Central, Luther and Loras being the teams to beat.

"Central and Luther are two teams that are just phenomenal," said Goettsch.

This year's conference play starts with the William Penn Invite in Oskaloosa, April 1. The team then travels to Dubuque for the Loras Invite, April 6 and hosts the Wartburg Invite April 9 and 10.

They play in Storm Lake for the Buena Vista Open, April 23 and in Dubuque for the U-D Invite on the 27th.

The team also competes in two Iowa Conference Tournaments this season. The first is April 16 and the second is April 30.



1999 Knights Men's golf schedule

April 1-2	William Penn Invite	Oskaloosa
April 6	Loras Invite	Dubuque
April 9-10	Wartburg Invite	Waverly
April 16-17	1st half IIAC Tourn.	Waterloo
April 23-24	Buena Vista Invite	Storm Lake
April 27	Dubuque Invite	Dubuque

1999 Knights baseball schedule

March 19	Washington University	St.Louis, MO
March 20	Augustana College	St.Louis, MO
March 21	Augustana College	St.Louis, MO
March 24	UNI	Waterloo
March 29	Mt. St. Clare	Clinton
March 31	University of Dubuque	Waverly
April 1	William Penn	Oskaloosa
April 2	Gustavus Adlophus	Waverly
April 7	Buena Vista	Storm Lake
April 9	Upper Iowa	Fayette
April 10	Cornell	Waverly
April 17	Simpson	Indianola
April 18	Upper Iowa	Fayette
April 21	Central	Waverly
April 24	Luther	Waverly
April 26	Loras	Dubuque
April 29	University of Dubuque	Waverly
May 1	Coe	Marion
May 3	Upper Iowa	Waverly
May 6-8	IIAC Tourn.	Mt. Vernon
May 19-23	NCAA Region Tourn.	TBA
May 28-June 1	NCAA Championship	Salem, VA

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Tracks are trucking into spring

by Erin Ries
Sports Writer

Following an outstanding indoor track and field season, the Knights say they are excited and looking forward to switching gears as they plunge into the outdoor season.

After defending the women's team title in the Iowa Conference and falling slightly short of the repeat on the men's side, the team says it plans to take the momentum from indoor and transfer it towards the future success of the outdoor season.

"In general we have an excellent team," said assistant coach Steve Johnson. "We're a little bigger than last year, I feel we're more talented, and definitely a lot healthier. The team outlook is very good.

Johnson said the team morale and attitude is good. The season gets long with both indoor and outdoor right next to each other. People are excited and having a good time, Johnson said.

"As an overall team, I think we're as unified and bonded as we've ever been," he said.

There are many fresh first-year faces from both sides this season. The men's races side with Brock Lehman, as well as Matt and Mitch Cook in the mid-distance and distance events, Michael Johnson in the high jump, and Chris Salter in the short sprints all look to be contributing factors.

Contesting for the women are freshmen Susie Reinhart in short sprints, Rachel Miller in long sprints, Erin VanZee, Stacy Ernst and Kristy Blasberg all in mid-distance.

The distance events look to be extremely competitive following strong indoor performances, said Johnson.

Stepping in late after an extended basketball season are freshman Brianne Schoonover and sophomore Jenni Donohue.

Donohue, a former state champion in the short hurdles, and Schoonover, who posted extremely impressive high school performances, both have experienced the feeling of success and are excited to get out and back into running, said Johnson.

In addition to the solid conference performance and the talented newcomers, the Knights also had five national qualifiers and two All-Americans to show for the indoor season.

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> *—Steve Johnson, assistant coach*

Trina Steines placed third and Joel Rochford placed fifth in the 800m run and shot-put, respectively.

"Experiencing success like this really makes people realize how hard work and determination can pay off," said senior co-captain T.J. Craig.

"Having people this competitive helps everyone work harder and makes for a stronger team.

"Also, after seeing how hard the Wartburg wrestling team works and the amount of success they have enjoyed this season helps the track team see that good things are possible for people who are willing to work hard and take a few risks," Craig said.

"[Wrestling] coach [Jim] Miller came to talk to the team a couple of different times throughout the indoor season and we have really developed a huge amount of respect for both him and the team. We're all a family here at Wartburg; we're excited for our friends on the wrestling team and look forward to the challenge of developing our program into one like they have," he said.

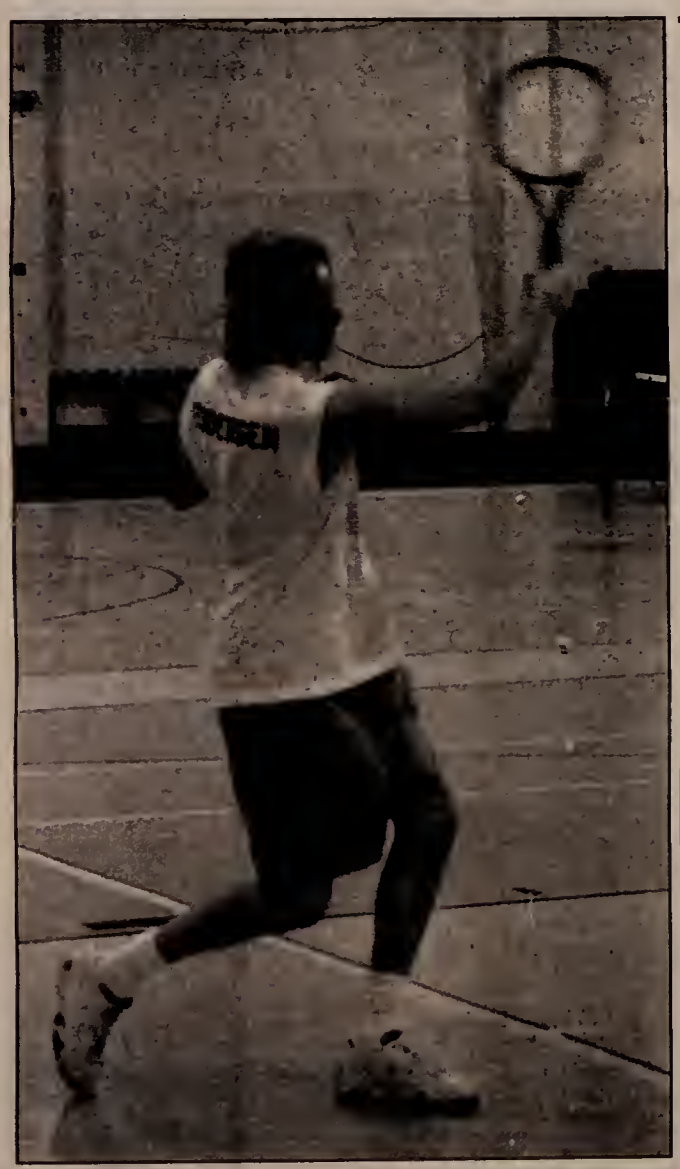
Wartburg's track team is already working towards shaping itself into a very strong team. Currently, they have a large coaching staff that is dedicated to helping athletes improve themselves.

"It's nice to have so many coaches," said Craig. "This really helps each athlete to get more individual help and is great for all of us.

"The team feels we have the desire and motivation it will take to accomplish the goals we have set out for ourselves," he said.

"We really want to win both [men's and women's] titles this year, as well as qualify and send as many individuals and relays to nationals as possible."

Wartburg kicks off its outdoor season Thursday in Kansas City as a partial team. The team will travel to Emporia State to compete in coach Newsom's home town.



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FORE—Too bad its tennis, not golf. Sophomore Aaron Fedderson is among only three top returners.

Tennis hopes to start a 'racquet'

by Sara Stensland
Staff Writer

Springtime brings about many things: sunny skies, warm weather and the Wartburg tennis team.

This season the men's team is looking to improve with the top three players from last year's IIAC fourth-place tennis team back under the instruction of second-year coach Steve McKinstry.

The returning roster from the '98 season, which compiled a dual meet record of 7-6, are Eric Adams, Todd Benson and Aaron Fedderson. The trio represented Wartburg's one, two and three positions, respectively.

Last year, Benson and Fedderson made up the No. 2 doubles team, which placed second at the No. 2 doubles IIAC flighted tournament. Benson also captured an individual fourth place at conference singles.

Adams, who lost his doubles partner Raza Akbar to graduation, will be in search of a new pair of feet that will fill Akbar's shoes. McKinstry said that Adams will be able to provide the team with leadership and talent.

"I'm really counting on Adams to provide leadership to this year's young team because of his extensive tennis experience," said McKinstry.

The remaining three varsity slots are up for grabs. Likely candidates for the line-up include Derek Mulder, Aftab Rahim and Min Su Chai. Mulder, a member of last year's squad, has impressed McKinstry early.

"Derek is a good athlete with a powerful serve and strong forehand. He will definitely be an important role player," said McKinstry.

Rahim and Su Chai, two first-time players, also look promising as they try to break into the Knights' varsity line-up.

The remainder of the men's roster includes Pete Iversen, Aaron Huey, David Wagoner and Randy Yen.

The men's tennis schedule looks to be challenging, but McKinstry and his team hope to remain competitve throughout the spring season.

"I expect perennial champion Luther to get its chief challenge from Central. We hope to place among the top six teams," said McKinstry.

The tennis team will be in action this Saturday in Waverly.

1999 Men's Tennis Schedule

Sat., Feb. 20	Simpson	Indianola	9 a.m.
Sat., March 20	Dubuque	Waverly	10 a.m.
Sat., March 27	Central	Pella	9 a.m.
Tues., March 30	Simpson	Waverly	3:30 p.m.
Wed., March 31	Upper Iowa	Waverly	3 p.m.
Sat., April. 3	Coe	Cedar Rapids	TBA
Mon., April 5	Cornell	Mt. Vernon	3:30 p.m.
Wed., April 7	Luther	Decorah	3 p.m.
Fri. sat., April 9-10	IIAC Duals	Waverly	3:30 p.m./9 a.m.
Fri., sat., April 16-17	Dubuque Tourn.	Dubuque	TBA
Fri., sat., April 23-24	IIAC Team Tourn.	Waterloo	8 a.m.
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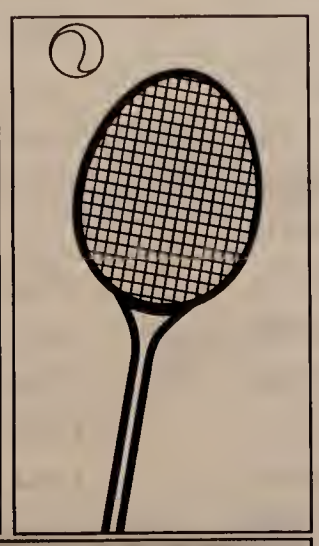

Rugby ruckels to success, plagued by May Term trips

by Dave Melchert
Staff Writer

The Wartburg women's Rugby Club is off to a slow start this spring due to the recent weather. The first match was to be Saturday against Coe, but the soaked field conditions and cold weather cancelled it. As of now, the schedule is open until April 10 and 11, when the Collegiate Cup tournament is scheduled to be at the University of Northern Iowa. Its a big tournament with college clubs from Iowa and Minnesota.

The season extends into May Term, but Wartburg will be losing many players to various May Term trips. Assistant coach Morgan commented on the club's status.

"We have the potential to be very competitive at the Collegiate Cup. We are looking to schedule a scrimmage prior to that tournament to get some of our rookies a bit of experience."

The All-Iowa tournament in Iowa Falls will be held May 1 and 2. The team was faced with May Term-trippers, and they combined with some ruggers from Coe College to get third place in the state.

Morgan said the club might team up with Coe for the later half of the season.

Broadway Revue a broad retrospective of musicals

by Megan Myhre
Staff Writer

After all the complications with getting a musical theater production underway this year, some people thought nothing would ever happen.

But after much work and dedication by many students, a show is finally in the works.

A Broadway musical revue is scheduled to be performed Saturday at 8:30 p.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

The show will consist of 15 musical selections from well-known shows such as "Les Miserables," "Rent," "Jesus Christ Superstar," "Side Show," "Miss Saigon" and "Oklahoma."

The performance will end with a 17-minute "Les Miserables" medley performed by the entire cast.

All the instrumental music for the show will be performed by a full orchestra of Wartburg students, as well as students from Waverly-Shell Rock and other surrounding high schools.

"There will be a combination of solo, small group and full cast numbers," said senior Leah Stumme, a member of the event's creative committee.

Stumme said she hoped that because of the format of the review, they would be able to give the listeners a "broad retrospective of musical theater."

Senior Peter Iversen, one of the directors of the show, said he is pleased with how well things are going so far and hopes the show will be a sellout.

Sarah Speltz/TRUMPET

REHEARSAL—Broadway Musical Revue cast members practice for Saturday with senior Peter Iverson, director of the show's orchestra.

"Tickets are going very fast," Iversen said.

"The tickets are free at the information desk, but we are asking for donations. We would like to get $3 from students and $5 from adults to support future productions," he said.

Iversen also said the group is planning to have a benefit dinner in the chapel commons before the performance in order to help raise additional money for future shows.

Tickets for the dinner are $20 for one person and $35 for two.

Junior Chad Lukes was also involved in several different parts of the production. He is singing with the "Rent" cast and is also involved in a number from "Miss Saigon."

"I think that this review is a very good idea," said Lukes. "It will give a lot of people the chance to show their talents on stage."

"We have a great number of students involved in the production, and the level of interest at Wartburg in musical theater is very strong," said Iversen.

A full-time speech theatre position has been approved by the Board of Regents, and the position is being advertised in several professional publications. The search committee has already received some applications.

Tickets are still available for both the performance and dinner and can be picked up at the information desk.

Culture Week events promote mind for unity

Culture Week starts today and continues through Sunday. The week's activites are sponsored by the International Club and the International Programs Office.

Linda Wolf, director of international programs, said this event is a tradition which offers an opportunity to "expand our campus international dimensions through activities, displays, and special events."

The 1999 theme is "Mind for Unity." The shedule is as follows:

Monday — Chapel leader Linda Wolf with Tanzanian students Smart Baitani and Jenitha Kameli singing - 10:15 a.m in the chapel.

Tuesday — International Games Night - 8 p.m., Lair.

Wednesday — International Student Panel presentation: "The International Experience." Representatives of different religions will speak about their religious preferences. Sponsored by Students for Peace and Justice - 7:30 p.m. in the East Room.

Thursday — Culture Faire featuring displays and interactive sessions, video, the Iowa Global Village Bridge, World's Window, coffee and tea - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Buhr Lounge.

Friday — Film showing of "Cry Freedom" - 8 p.m. in Voecks Auditorium.

Saturday — International Treasure Hunt - 2 p.m. at the Diers House.

Sunday — Culture Day Festival with international foods, talent and fashion show at 5 p.m. in the Caf. Tickets may be purchased from executive council members, at the Diers House, Information Desk, or Information Faire for $4.00. Tickets are $5 at the door.

Drink green mocktails

by Shannon Pearson
Staff Writer

Traditionally, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated by wearing green and drinking green beer. This year, the Wartburg organization AWARE wants students to consider an alternative: an alternative to Joe's.

A St. Patrick's Day dance, also known as an alternative to Joe's night, will be held at 10:30 p.m. Wednesday in Buhr Lounge. It is sponsored by AWARE, SMART and CAB.

AWARE stands for Alcohol Wisdom And Real Education.

"'We don't preach to reach, we dare to be AWARE,'" said sophomore Vanessa Levenhagen, AWARE president, at a recent Eucharist.

Levenhagan explained that the motto means students should think before they drink.

The goal of the night is to provide alcohol-free entertainment to show students can have fun without alcohol. About 200 people attended the alternative to Joe's night sponsored by SMART last year, and the groups are hoping for a better turnout this year.

Snacks and mocktails will be available free of charge.

Students can participate in contests, win door prizes and dance until 1 a.m. Contests will include the limbo, Twister, the King and Queen of Green (for wearing the most green), and Best Irish Accent.

Prizes donated by Residential Life, Complex Hall Council and area businesses will be awarded to winners.

Admission is free for students wearing green clothing. Students without green will get a green ribbon to wear.

St. Patrick's Day Procession

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Winter Break...

Students offer personal narratives of their Winter Break service trips.

Truth or Consequences, N.M.

by Sarah Thomsen

While many students headed home for Winter Break, our group ventured off on a service trip that meant "roughing it" in the great outdoors.

Co-leaders Brendan Saunders and Chris Thomas, adviser Denis Drolet, Joel Kiesey, John Gibbons, Rachel Stephens, Tracia Schau, Lynn Terbeest, Claudia Schmidt, Shelly Kuennen and I headed south. Our destination: Gila National Forest, N.M. Our mission: help build and repair the Continental Divide Scenic Trail.

We arrived in the Gila National Forest late Sunday afternoon and indulged in our only showers, electric heat and running water for the next four days. Monday morning we headed up to an 8,500-foot elevation where we set up a makeshift kitchen, dug our toilet (far away from the campsite) and built the tents. This "home away from home" turned out to be a luxury to look forward to at the end of a long day's work.

We made a six-mile round-trip hike to the worksite everyday. In teams of two or three, we worked to construct a trail in the side of the mountain. A few journeyed out in front of the others to clear away brush and rocks from the path. Not far behind, the strongest members of the group chipped away rocks and tree roots, clearing a way for the last trail-makers to form the back-slope and make the trail look, well, like a trail. A few brave students showed off their muscles by throwing trees and big boulders down the side of the mountain.

We built a quarter-mile of the trail, a very small portion compared to the 60 miles of the trail yet to be completed. Nonetheless, it was a big task and a huge accomplishment for our small group. Once all 3,100 miles of this trail are finished, it will connect Canada to New Mexico.

Most of us had never done anything like this before, but it was worth it. We came back to Iowa with muscles, tans, blisters and a few cuts and bruises, but most importantly, with the satisfaction that the service done had an impact.

Britta Monson/TRUMPET

A HELPING HAND—Sophomore Erin Hetrick swings a hammer in service on the roof of a Habitat for Humanity house in Anniston, Ala.

Atlanta, Ga.

by Dawn Waters

For Winter Break, 12 Wartburg students and 1 traveled to Atlanta, Ga., for a service trip. We got to meet many wonderful and inspiring people through the Urban Training Organization of Atlanta.

Working with the St. Vincent De Paul Society, we helped sort through $2 million worth of new children's clothing donated by Sears. It was a really special feeling to know that somewhere a child would have new clothes for the first time in his or her life.

We also worked with Project Open Hand, an organization that prepares and delivers meals to patients who are homebound with HIV or AIDS.

I think the most touching thing was when we spent the night at a men's homeless shelter in downtown Atlanta. We stayed at an all-men's shelter and it was great just sitting around talking to the men one-on-one.

We also went to a women's and children's shelter. In addition, we had the opportunity to tour part of the city's housing projects.

On our last day in Atlanta, we got a chance to tour the historical Martin Luther King Jr. district. The highlights included seeing the house he grew up in, museums dedicated to him and his memorial.

I think everyone involved had an experience that changed their lives.

Washington, D.C.

by Lisa Hassenstab

A group of 11 Wartburg students set out on the afternoon of Friday, Feb. 26, to Washington, D.C., for a week of service, sightseeing and fun. The whole week was great, and we were able to accomplish a lot.

Our group worked at three different sites: Food and Friends, which is a facitility that prepares and delivers hot meals and bagged groceries to people who are HIV positive or have AIDS; Capital Area Food Bank, which organizes and distributes items to food pantries in the D.C. area; and Whitman Walker, which provides several services to people in the D.C. area who are HIV positive or have AIDS.

While our focus was on service throughout the week, we were able to do quite a bit of sightseeing, including VIP tours of the White House and the Capitol. Being able to see the tourist areas of D.C. really gave us a chance to see the differences within the city and gave us a better perspective of what we were able to accomplish during our week there. We saw a lot, learned a lot, laughed a lot, stretched a lot and had a lot of fun.

Team members included Lisa Hassenstab and Jen Wessel, leaders; Erica Dahl, Erin Robinson, Erik Ullestad, Heidi Mueller, Amy Mauhar, Dawn Brandau, Jennifer Squires, Julie Kalkbrenner and Jennifer Hancock. Jenny Schultz, a 1995 Wartburg alumnus who lives in D.C., served as our adviser.

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A Time to Serve

York, Pa.

by Cameron Henneke

Our Winter Break excursion to York, Pa., was my second Habitat service trip and just as rewarding as last year's adventure. Twelve of us total, including our leaders Robyn Brent and Sandi Hansen and faculty adviser Fred Strickert, traveled to the Trinity Retreat Center in York which would be our "home" for eating and bonding. For four days of the week, we worked with Habitat for Humanity on two houses that made up a triplex. Although most of our group had few skills in house construction, by the end of the week we were all expert insulators and dry-wallers.

During our "non-work" time we journeyed to Baltimore, the Harley Davidson plant in York and also to Gettysburg.

The most meaningful experience for the majority was our dinner with Habitat. A local church provided the meal, and the local affiliate leaders gathered with us along with a family who will move into one of the Habitat homes. Meeting a family who will benefit from our work really put the tragedy of homelessness and our responsibility into perspective.

Once again the Wartburg service trips have provided me and others with a much-needed break from school as well as an incredible experience of bonding and service.

Georgetown, S.C.

by Kelly Orr

We had an great week in South Carolina building a house with Habitat for Humanity. Throughout the week we learned how to hammer nails, build walls and work together as a team. Everyone was filled with excitement as we raised the first wall. We were actually building a house!

The people we met were incredible. All the Habitat volunteers had such stories to tell. I think we all learned a lot from them about what true service meant.

What a humbling experience to work with Linda, the woman we were building the house for. Here was a woman who could have been ashamed of the position she was in, but instead, she was so thankful we were there and gleamed with joy at our progress every day. It was also neat to see the group come together. We started out as 13 individuals and ended up a group that not only got along, but really cared about each other.

It's definitely an experience I will never forget. On the way there, we stopped at the Grand Old Opry for the country lovers in the group. And who could forget the famous sweet tea of South Carolina, Myrtle Beach and Charleston? This week not only taught me a lot about service, but about myself as well. It was a great opportunity.

New York, N.Y.

by Chris Lange

During Winter Break, 12 students and adviser Les Huth traveled to New York to serve a week at the Covenant House.

The leaders of the group were Jennifer Hepler and Marquesa Snyder. Other members were Erika Lamb, Sara Schuchart, Amy Corkery, Al Mews, Jayme O'Rouke, Alison Enabnit, Lisa Bonorden, Adrian McClain, Christel Kube and Chris Lange.

Covenant House is a homeless shelter that exists throughout the United States and provides service to anyone. People in need receive food, a place to sleep, a physical examination, legal services and pastoral ministry.

We served by playing with and feeding young children, cleaning out storage rooms, sorting donated clothes, working in Covenant's business offices and participating in recreation time with the 13 to 21-year-olds.

Also in New York we were able to attend a taping of the Ricki Lake Show, which will air March 22. Other sites included the Empire State Building, Hard Rock Cafe, Times Square, Times Square Church and the Staten Island Ferry. Some members of the group also went to a Knicks basketball game, a Broadway musical and the Apollo Theater's amateur comedy night.

The group had a great time serving approximately 30 hours at the Covenant House, as well as enjoying the tourist sites in New York.

Nathan Friesen/TRUMPET

SHE'S GOT HER GUN— Junior Shana Tedlie is helping people by pulling the trigger on this gun. She used her caulking skills in this York, Pa., Habitat for Humanity house. *Sarah Christopherson/ TRUMPET*

"Meeting a family who will benefit from our work really put the tragedy of homelessness and our responsibility into perspective."

—Cameron Henneke, York, Pa., Service Trip

Anniston, Ala.

by Britta Monson

For myself, nine other students and a staff member traveling to Alabama, our various experiences could be described as unexpected, rewarding and fun.

The first unexpected turn for our Habitat for Humanity service trip led by senior Diana Busch and junior Janette Keith was the one due south. Those of us applying for the trip had originally picked Hartford, Conn., as a destination, but plans fell through and the group had to find another Habitat affiliate. We were directed to the affiliate in Calhoun County, Ala., and those on the trip offered no complaints.

"I have never worked with a more committed, fantastic group of people and had so much fun in my life," said Keith.

Several of us became local celebrities as the *Anniston Star* covered the story of our group giving up our break for service. The newspaper featured a lengthy article and two pictures, including one of Keith on the front page, detailing our work for the community.

We met all sorts of people in the community through working at the Habitat site, attending a church dinner and touring the local museum and city of Anniston.

"One of the great things about working with Habitat is that you get to meet the home owners," sophomore Erin Hetrick said. "It is very rewarding to see who will benefit from your work."

And work we did. Our group put up every aspect of a house. From lifting and placing the exterior walls to drying in the roof, we built it all.

We came back from Alabama able to account for building a house, our van being struck by lightning while driving there, bonding as a group and even getting a tan or sunburn. The trip could be summed up in just three words: food, fun and fellowship.

JC Jams Concert
Wartburg students run the show

Jaime Spratt/TRUMPET

JAMMERS—First-year Wartburg student Nick Steven's band, Life without JOE, performs at Friday's JC Jams concert. Band members include (from left to right) Mike Pasly on bass guitar, Dusty Nieman on guitar, Stevens as lead singer, and Shaun Afinson on rhythm guitar. Greg Zars (not shown) is the group's drummer.

by Sarah Lynn Alderfer
Staff Writer

The First Annual JC Jams Concert was held last Friday in Neumann Auditorium. The concert featured many Wartburg students sharing Christian music.

The show started with freshman Ryan Houts. He was accompanied by "Ed The Fish" on drums. Houts played four songs on his acoustic guitar and informed the audience that it was his first solo performance.

The second act was See The Management, which includes Wartburg sophomore Nick Robertson. STM has been together for a year, with the newest members added a month ago.

STM played a wide array of upbeat Christian songs which showed different angles of God and faith. The group is on the Internet at http://2097.resnet.uni.edu.

Robertson said he believes this band was God's calling for him and would play in the JC Jams; "We love doing it," he said.

Junior Allie Brauhn followed, presenting songs from her CD, which will be out in April.

Brauhn, along with junior Angela Neve, has started a songwriters group on campus. The two thought this concert would be a good way to let students share their talents.

Brauhn has been writing since age 14 and will perform at the Coffee Depot April 9 at 9 p.m.

Another junior, Sherry Carlson, was the fourth performer. She performed three of her strongest and favorite songs on her acoustic guitar.

Carlson will record a CD in two weeks. The CD will be entitled "Here Within" and will feature original works by Carlson.

Neve followed Carlson with a rendition of "Let it Be" by the Beatles. She then performed two original songs, accompanying herself on the piano.

Neve believes this concert was an "outlet for people [on campus] who write songs and have nowhere to perform."

Neve has been writing since she was a freshman in high school and released a demo, "Out on a Limb," in 1998.

The second band of the night performed after Neve. Life Without JOE's members come from Denver, Iowa. First-year student Nick Stevens is the band's lead singer.

Life Without JOE (Jesus on Earth) played five original songs, including "Frey," which is only four weeks old.

Together for two-and-a-half years, Life Without JOE is always looking for ways to spread and share its ministry.

One of the group's main beliefs is James 2:26— "For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead"—which is why they do what they do.

Life Without JOE will perform in the Chapel Wednesday at 8:15 p.m. and also at Eucharist that night. Anyone interested in finding out more about Life Without JOE can contact Stevens at Ext. 7636.

The final performer of the night was junior Josh Brecht performing three original songs on his acoustic guitar.

Brecht found out about JC Jams by overhearing some of the other performers talking about it, and he said he wanted to be involved, too.

All the performers came out on stage following Brecht and sang "Peace Like A River" with the audience.

JC Jams was thought up and put together by all the performers involved. All the performers said they would like to see this become an annual event at Wartburg.

Stevens said his motivation behind becoming involved was to "start another religious tradition at Wartburg" similar to Eucharist.

Jaime Spratt/TRUMPET

SEE THE MANAGEMENT—Sophomore Nick Robertson (right) gives the audience a taste of STM's musical style with fellow members Ethan Book (with guitar) and Nick Glew (singing).

Jaime Spratt/TRUMPET

LIVE—Junior Josh Brecht shares three of his own original songs.

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TUNING UP—Junior Sherry Carlson tunes her guitar before the performance.

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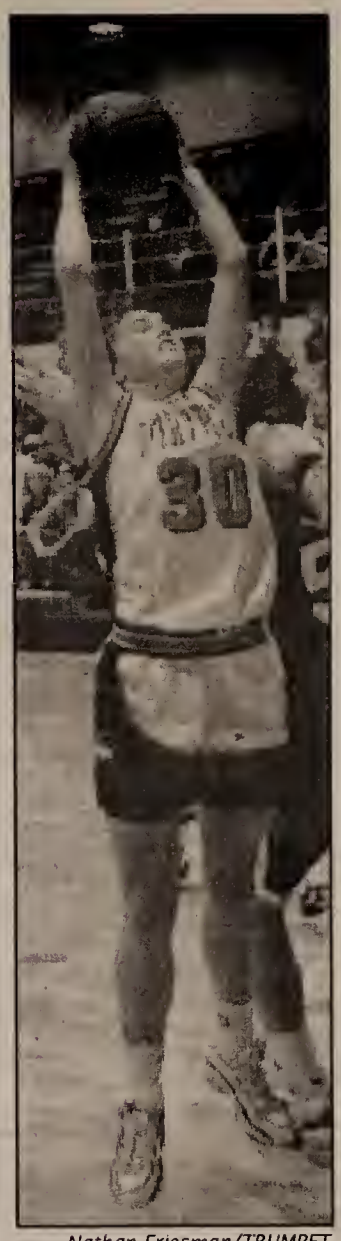
GOING SOLO—Freshman Ryan Houts opens the JC Jams with his first-ever solo performance.

'Hoop'-la for Phillmann



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WHAT A FEAT—Senior Kayah-Bah Phillmann en route to her 1000th point.

by Jasmine Baxton
Staff Writer

Rounding out their season with regional tournament play over break, the Knights women's basketball team lost to the University of St. Thomas, 67-41. This ended Wartburg's season with a 19-5 overall record and 16-3 in Iowa Conference play.

"St. Thomas is ranked No. 8 in the country and the best defensive team we've played all season," coach Monica Severson said. "The keys in the game were that we struggled being able to score because they were quite a bit bigger and more physical than us. They moved without the ball well and without our girls in double figures we only shot 27 percent in both halves."

The Knights dominated the court Feb. 27, drowning the Beavers of Buena Vista, 91-69.

Wartburg and BV battled head-to-head in the first half, 47-47.

"The first and second half were almost two different games," Severson said. "The first half they shot extremely well and we gave up too many points, but we played our best defensive game."

After half-time Wartburg fired up and took the lead.

"I felt we played our best basketball of the season the second half," Severson said.

In the second half, the crowd went wild when two-year starter senior Kayay-Bah Phillmann reached a record-setting 1000-point career total. She is the seventh woman in the history of Wartburg basketball to achieve scoring more than 1000 points.

"Scoring those last two points was a relief because I felt like I shot a thousand times in the game just to get to that 1000 points," Phillmann said. "It's an honor and I'm glad to finally get the job done."

"Kayah-Bah is a very good athlete and probably the best center in the conference," Severson said. "This comes from Kayah-Bah's hard work in the off season to make herself a good basketball player."

Leading scorers for the Knights were sophomore Molly Mason with 20 and senior Erin Fox with 14. Phillmann contributed 13 and freshman Brianne Schoonover had 10.

Top rebounders for Wartburg were junior Carrie Hansen, and seniors Jill Baethke and Phillmann each with five.

Fox led in assists with six and Mason had two blocked shots.

Feb. 26 the Storm of Simpson College rained hard on the Knights, 86-77.

"I was very pleased with the teams effort on the road," Severson said. "We competed hard for 40 minutes and played the best all-around game. We only lost by nine and that's the closest anyone has been to them all year."

Leading scorers for the Knights were Phillmann with 17, Fox with 14 and both Schoonover and Hansen contributed 12.

Phillmann grabbed eight boards while senior Emily Bailey snatched five steals.

Injuries plague men's season

by Bryan O'Neil
Staff Writer

The men's basketball season started off promising, with the Knights looking to compete with the top teams in the conference for the IIAC title.

By winning the Buzz Levik tournament, a convincing win over Simpson and a double overtime loss to Upper Iowa, all early in the season, the Knights were in the hunt for a conference championship.

"(The team) played extremely well in the beginning of the season," said head coach Dick Peth.

Early games were proof that the Knights could compete with the best teams in the conference.

All was well, however, until injuries sidelined the team and the Knights finished with an overall record of 13-12, placing them fifth in the conference.

"Injuries are very frustrating because there is nothing you can do about them," said Peth.

Serious injuries affected five players, all of whom were starters. Sophomore Ryan Rausch, junior Troy Osterhaus and seniors Ryan Schultz, David Nielsen and Thad Peck all suffered injuries that kept them out of at least three games, or prevented them from playing at 100 percent.

Throughout the season and the injuries, Peth said the team maintained good chemistry.

A lot of that chemistry was built with the help of senior Trent Hoover. Staying healthy all season, Hoover provided leadership and experience. He also led the team in scoring and rebounding with 15.1 and 6.5, respectively.

At their year-end banquet Saturday, individual awards were handed out. Hoover and Peck were esteemed with honors, respectively.

Team awards went to Osterhaus as newcomer-of-the-year and best defensive player; the coaches' award went to senior Kevin Archer; and team MVP honors were shared by Hoover and Peck.

The Knights were eliminated from the conference tournament in the first round, losing to Buena Vista 86-70.

However, after an early end to the season this year, Peth says he has a "good nucleus returning" and has a positive outlook on the future of next season.

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reclaim the lead after winning the 133 championship match.

Nick Mitchell, the second of the Knights' three finalists, lost to the College of New Jersey's Justin Totten 7-2.

Wartburg was down to its last chance to a national champion. Defending the 149 national champion title, Ben Shane faced Augsburg's Josh Cagle who beat Shane twice during the regular season. The match went into overtime where Shane made short work of Cagle with a takedown just eight seconds into the overtime period.

"I cannot believe I won," said Shane. "I was so tired I just thought if I'm going to lose I'm at least going to try for it. Thank God it worked."

"We call him 'Money Man.' He always comes through in the pressure matches. The more pressure, the better he is," said Wartburg coach Jim Miller of Shane.

All the Knights could do now was wait with a 117.5 to 116 lead. The Auggies had two more in the finals, both of whom had to lose for the Knights to become the team champions.

At 174, Augsburg's defending national champion and top seed Jim Peterson faced John Newman of St. John's University in Minnesota. Peterson beat Newman for the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title only weeks earlier.

With a 1-1 tie in regulation and no points scored in overtime, the match went into double overtime where a person has to escape or ride his opponent to win. Newman won the toss and chose down, escaping in five seconds.

The Knights were not quite out of the woods yet. At 184, the Auggies had top seed Nick Lewandowski. He was to face Upper Iowa's Ryan Birt.

"I could hardly breathe throughout the match. I had to tell myself to keep breathing. There were times when I thought he was going to lose even though he is the better wrestler," Miller said.

The match came down to the very end with 10 seconds left. They were in a scramble where Birt ended up getting the take-down, sealing the victory and the Knights national title.

"We gave it everything we had and it took everything we had," Miller said. "The wrestle-backs is where we sucked it up and showed that we wanted the title."

Wartburg also produced five all-Americans, with Stas Khaitin placing third at 133 defeating Tom Hall of Ithaca 4-3.

"I am so happy for our team and coach," Khaitin said.

At 157, Ryan Hess beat Craig Vedrani of Springfield 8-1 for fifth place. At 165 and 174, the Knights' Chris Smith and Ben Jobgen did not place. Brandon Holmberg lost to John Carroll's Jim Ayers 10-3 earning him fourth place at 184 pounds.

Gary Smith/Courtesy photo
ONE MORE FOR THE WALL—Head coach Jim Miller accepts his national coach of the year award.

At 197 pounds Josh Dodd overcame an earlier loss in the tournament, grappling back to third place, defeating Augsburg's Josh Clausen 8-5.

"It was important for me to win that match personally and for the team," Dodd said.

Heavyweight Kris O'Rear placed sixth losing to Ryan Collins of Capital, 5-0.

"This is a great team that stuck together through the ups and downs of this year," Miller said.

"The coaching staff and the other 30 guys on this team made this possible, we all worked hard together and it has paid off."

Gary Smith/Courtesy photo
ALL SMILES—The wrestling team reaps the rewards of hard work. The Knights crowned two national champions en route to the national championship. This is the Knights' second national title under coach Jim Miller.

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Two excel at nationals

JOEL ROCHFORD

by Brock Lehman and Erin Ries
Staff Writers

Indoor track and field concluded when the best of the best in Division III competed in the national meet at Ohio Northern Saturday.

The men were represented by Miradieu Joseph and Joel Rochford.

By day's end, Rochford became an All-American, finishing fifth in the shot put. He threw 54-0.5 and in the process, broke the school record.

"Joel was no surprise," head coach Marcus Newsom said. "He's had an extraordinary year."

Rochford has been hampered by injuries in the past. Newsom said Rochford's work ethic has been superb to overcome these injuries.

"Joel's commitment is very strong; he has been very consistent throughout the year," said Newsom.

Trina Steines, Melissa Stensland and Amy Sullivan were the participants showing off their skills for the women at the meet.

Steines, who has been faced with great adversity this season, placed third.

She has turbo-ed through illnesses, lack of tight competition and a little bad luck, and barely snagged the 13th of the 13 available spots in the 800m run.

In the prelims, Steines faced the type of competition she needed and was pushed to a second place finish and qualifying time of 2:16.53.

Following prelims, Steines found herself in the finals among the best of the best in Division III 800m runners. She ended up running a blazing 2:15.27 in the finals, which placed her third (only .01 seconds out of the runner-up position) among this elite group.

"To run the way she did was absolutely outstanding," said assistant coach Steve Johnson.

"Trina really showed a lot of heart and I couldn't be prouder of her. She really is a hard worker and I am extremely happy to see this happen to her."

Steines's newest All-American status makes her a three-time All-American. A year ago she was third in this same event. She later went on to win the 800m and become the first individual female national champion at Wartburg.

TRINA STEINES

Men can't outrun Dutch, get second

by Brock Lehman
Staff Writer

At the indoor conference meet, the men finished second behind IIAC rival Central.

Central finished the meet with 152 points, with Wartburg compiling 122 points. Coe finished third at the meet with 80 points.

"One-fifty-two to 122 does not, in my mind, prove what Wartburg is capable of completing," said head coach Marcus Newsom.

"To be political, I would say with the adversity we went through, I was very proud of our men and the way we competed. I was proud of us, but not content. We know what we're capable of," he said.

Miradieu Joseph led the Knight sprinters. The speedy sophomore won the 200m hurdles in 24.37 seconds, a time which broke his own school record and set the indoor conference record.

Joseph then finished second in the 55m hurdles in 7.79 seconds, finished second in the 200m dash and led off the 4X400m relay team (along with Trevor Shannon, John Zehr and Eric Olson) that finished third in 3:24.63.

The leaping duo of James Leemhuis and Michael Johnson tied for second in the high jump with leaps of 6-4.

The Wartburg distance runners competed at top form. Leading the charge for the Knights was Ryan Harms.

The senior anchored the distance medley team that broke the school record,which was set last season, (along with Kendall Ricklefs, Olson and Matt Cook) in 10:22.05. Harms also finished second in the 1500m with a time of 4:04 and finished fourth in the 1000m in 2:33.72.

Brian Ryherd captured the conference title in the 5000m with a time of 15:49 and Tom Zirbel finished second in the 3,000m with a time of 8:46.17, while Brock Lehman finished third in the 3000m and 5000m in 8:56 and 15:55.

"That's a good double for a freshman," Newsom said of Lehman.

Olson finished fourth in the 600m in 1:24.5. The three-lap sprint was his third scoring race of the meet, including the two relays.

Rochford finished third in the shot put with a toss of 50-0.5. The finish wasn't normal for the senior, but he was lucky to even compete.

"In warm-ups, he slipped a disc (in his shoulder) and I was going to scratch him from the meet, but he was having none of that," Newsom said.

Although Wartburg finished second at the indoor meet, coach Newsom felt that the team that's been built and how they've come together through the winter meant more to him than banners ever would.

"I'm very proud of our team with how close we are. It's good to be able to have that relationship. The hardest part I work on is to build a team here," he said.

Newsom's plan for winning the IIAC outdoor title focuses on improvement every time the Knights compete.

"We're going to try to get better week by week (for outdoors).

"We hope to be at the top of the pyramid by outdoor conference," Newsom said.

Put together victory at IIAC indoor meet

Women's track head of the pack

by Jake Byers
Sports Editor

The Wartburg tracksters pulled it all together Saturday, Feb. 27, in Mount Vernon, where the team took home the trophy from the IIAC meet for the second year in a row.

Wartburg totaled 161 points in the meet. Loras came in a close second with a total of 140.5. Luther, Simpson and Central rounded off the top five.

The Knights placed in the top three in 16 of 19 events. Included in these places were five first-place finishes.

"The women came and performed well, but that's what we expect to do," said head coach Marcus Newsom.

All-American Trina Steines propelled the Knights by taking two titles. She won the 1500m in 4:49.52 and the 800m in 2:17.97.

"Winning conference was a great accomplishment," said Steines. "We faced a lot of sickness and injury. Just coming back shows we have a lot of dedication and heart."

Other first- place finishes for Wartburg were Amy Wagner in the 3000m with a time of 10:49.52, Janette Olson in the 200m low hurdles with a time of 29.04 and the distance medley team with a time of 12:42.46.

Olson broke her own school record of 29.48 and the distance medley destroyed the old school record of 13:25.94 set in 1983.

Second place finishes included Olson in the 400m with a time of 59 seconds. Melissa Stensland threw 42-7 in the shot and the 4x200m relay team was runner-up with 1:49.28.

Many others got involved in scoring some much-needed points for the Knights with third-place finishes.

Those finishers were Barb White in the long jump, 55m dash and 200m dash; Amy Sullivan in the shot; Olson in the 55m high hurdles; Somner Baxton in the 200m low hurdles; Erin VanZee in the 600m; Erin Ries in the 1000m; Heidi Ludvigsen in the 5000m; and the 1600m relay team.

"I'm very proud. Back-to-back conference championships are very tough to accomplish," said Newsom.

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> —Trina Steines, senior